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1. (currently amended) A process for finishing a textile material by treating said textile material with an An aqueous dispersion (U) containing comprising the steps of:

1) providing an aqueous dispersion (U) comprising:

(A) a UV-absorbing textile treatment agent, where (A) is

(A₁) a UV absorber, or

(A₂) an optical brightener,

(B) a dispersant system, where B comprises

(B₁) a surfactant selected from the group consisting of: anionic dispersants, nonionic dispersants, emulsifiers and combinations thereof, and/or

(B₂) at least one dispersing auxiliary comprising: protective colloids, wetting agents, solubilizers and/or dispersion stabilizers,

and (C) a carboxyl-containing crosslinked copolymer, where (C) is a copolymer of:

(C₁) maleic acid or maleic anhydride,

(C₂) at least one monoethylenically unsaturated nonionic comonomer, and

(C₃) a crosslinking comonomer

2) providing a textile material, and

3) contacting said aqueous dispersion (U) with said textile material.

2. (currently amended) The process for finishing textile material according to claim 1, where said An aqueous dispersion (U) according to Claim 1, additionally containing comprises:

(D) at least one formulation additive, where (D) is selected from the group consisting of:

(D₁) a defoamer,

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~~_____ (D₂) a biocide,~~
~~_____ (D₃) a dye or combinations thereof.~~

3. ~~(canceled) An aqueous dispersion (U) according to Claim 1, wherein (A) is~~
~~_____ (A₁) a UV absorber~~
~~_____ or _____ (A₂) an optical brightener.~~

4. ~~(canceled) An aqueous dispersion (U) according to Claim 1, wherein (B)~~
~~comprises~~
~~_____ (B₁) at least one surfactant~~
~~_____ and/or (B₂) at least one dispersing auxiliary.~~

5. ~~(canceled) An aqueous dispersion (U) according to Claim 4, wherein~~
~~_____ (B₁) comprises anionic and/or nonionic dispersants and/or emulsifiers~~
~~_____ and _____ (B₂) comprises protective colloids, wetting agents, solubilizers and/or~~
~~dispersion stabilizers.~~

6. ~~(canceled) An aqueous dispersion (U) according to Claim 1, wherein (C) is a~~
~~copolymer of~~
~~_____ (C₁) maleic acid or maleic anhydride,~~
~~_____ (C₂) at least one monoethylenically unsaturated nonionic comonomer~~
~~_____ and _____ (C₃) a crosslinking comonomer.~~

7. ~~(canceled) An aqueous dispersion (U) according to Claim 2, wherein (D)~~
~~comprises~~
~~_____ (D₁) a defoamer~~
~~_____ (D₂) a biocide~~
~~_____ and/or (D₃) a dye.~~

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8. (currently amended) ~~A process for the production of a dispersion (U) according to Claim 1, characterized in that~~ The process for finishing textile material according to claim 1, where in aqueous dispersion (U) (C) is mixed with the other components of the dispersion in an aqueous medium.
9. (currently amended) ~~A process according to claim 8, characterized in that there is employed~~ The process for finishing textile material according to claim 1, where a polymer (C') which is a polymer which corresponds to the constitution of (C) but wherein the carboxyl-containing monomer is a dicarboxylic acid which is present in the form of cyclic anhydride, and this is hydrolysed in the presence of at least a portion of the components (B) and in the presence of a base to form (C) in salt form and then (A) and optionally the remaining components of (U) are added.
10. (currently amended) ~~The use of the aqueous dispersions (U) according to Claim 1~~ A process for treating textile material in an aqueous liquor comprising the steps of:
_____ providing a textile material;
_____ providing an aqueous liquor;
_____ adding the aqueous dispersion (U) according to claim 1 to said aqueous liquor; and
_____ contacting said textile material with said aqueous liquor.
11. (currently amended) ~~A use~~ The process for treating textile material in an aqueous liquor according to claim 10 of an ~~where aqueous dispersion (U) wherein (A) is a UV absorber (A₁) in the dyeing of yarn material and where said textile material is in the form of cheeses.~~
12. (currently amended) ~~A use~~ The process for treating textile material in an

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aqueous liquor according to claim 10 of an ~~aqueous dispersion (U) wherein~~
~~where (A) is an optical brightener (A₂) for the optical brightening of yarn~~
~~material and where said textile material is in the form of cheeses.~~

13. (currently amended) ~~A use~~ The process for treating textile material in an aqueous liquor according to Claim 10 for treating where said textile materials are synthetic or cellulosic textile material.
14. (currently amended) A process for finishing textile material with a UV-absorbing textile treatment agent (A), ~~characterized in that~~ where the UV-absorbing textile treatment agent (A) is used in the form of a dispersion (U) according to Claim 1.
15. (currently amended) A process according to claim 1 14 for finishing synthetic or cellulosic fibre material in the form of yarn on cheeses.
16. (new) The process for finishing textile material according to claim 1, where the crosslinking comonomer (C₃) is an α,ω -alkanediene.